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ILLEGAL ALIEN SENTENCED FOR FEDERAL DRUG VIOLATIONS

(Tyler, TX) United States Attorney Matthew D. Orwig announced today that a 33-year-old Mexican man, who has been living in Jacksonville illegally, has been sentenced to 24 months in federal prison for selling cocaine in the Eastern District of Texas. **ROLANDO MUNOZ-MENA** was sentenced today by United States District Judge Leonard Davis.

U.S. Attorney Orwig was pleased with the sentence, "This defendant was not only illegally present in the United States, but was trafficking in cocaine with the aid of his brother, Heriberto Munoz-Mena, who also pleaded guilty to selling cocaine and is awaiting sentencing. This conviction, incarceration and subsequent deportation will make Tyler and Jacksonville safer, cleaner cities."

According to information presented in court, on March 3, 2005, Munoz delivered 83 grams of cocaine to a confidential informant working under the direction of the Texas Department of Public Safety and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration at the La Michoacana grocery store on North Beckham in Tyler. In addition, Munoz was held responsible for the delivery

of approximately 100 more grams of cocaine on three other occasions in March and April of 2005. His brother is awaiting a sentencing date before Judge Davis on his drug trafficking charges.

This case was investigated by the Texas Department of Public Safety and the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration and prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Allen Hurst.

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